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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

OF COUNSEL URBAN A. LESTER

Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two (2) copies of a Memorandum of Security Agreement and Collateral Assignment, dated as of May 1, 2005, a secondary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The enclosed document relates to the Memorandum of Lease being filed with the Board under Recordation Number _____.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are:

Lender:

FirstMerit Bank, N.A.

106 South Mail Street

Akron, Ohio 44308

Borrower:

The Andersons, Inc. 480 West Dussel Drive

Maumee, Ohio 43537

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A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

6 boxcars within the series BAEX 541 - BAEX 741 as more particularly set forth in the equipment schedule attached to the document.

A short summary of the document to appear in the index is:

Memorandum of Security Agreement and Collateral Assignment.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$33.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of the enclosed document to the undersigned.

Very truly yours

Robert W. Alvord

RWA/anm Enclosures

MEMORANDUM OF SECURITY AGREEMENT AND COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT

This MEMORANDUM OF SECURITY AGREEMENT AND COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT ("Agreement") is made entered into as of May 1, 2005, by and between The Andersons, Inc. ("Borrower") and FirstMerit Bank, N.A. ("Lender").

WHEREAS, The Andersons, Inc., as Lessor, and General Mills Operations Inc., as Lessee, have heretofore entered into that certain Full Service Lease Agreement, Lease #199602-GEN dated August 1, 1996 and Full Service Lease Agreement Rider Deal #R00752 dated April 25, 2005 (collectively, the "Lease") pertaining to the rail cars described in Exhibit A-1 attached hereto ("Equipment"). Evidence of the Lease has been recorded with the Surface Transportation Board pursuant to 49 U.S.C.§11301 simultaneously with this Agreement and assigned recordation number _______.

NOW, THERFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Borrower hereby grants Lender a security interest in the Equipment and the Lease, any rental payments due under the Lease, the proceeds of any of the foregoing and of certain insurance on Equipment; and Lender acknowledges this security interest.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each executed counterpart constituting an original but altogether only one and the same Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed or caused this Agreement to be executed as of the day and year first written above.

* [Signature Pages To Follow]

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

BORROWER: THE ANDERSONS, INC.

By:

Title: Vice President, Finance and Treasurer

STATE OF OHIO COUNTY OF LUCAS

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said county and state, personally appeared Gary Smith, the Vice President Finance, and Treasurer of The Andersons, Inc., an Ohio corporation, who acknowledged that he being thereunto duly authorized, did sign the foregoing instrument in behalf of said corporation and by authority of its Board of Directors on behalf of the corporation and that the same is the free act and deed of said officer and of said corporation.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Maumee, Ohio this 37 day of April 2005.

"HILLIAM HILLAND HILLAND

JUDY A. BALDWIN Notary Public, State of Ohio Commission Expires_

LENDER: FIRSTMERIT BANK, N.A..

By:

Name: Andrew Ye

Title:

Vice President

STATE OF Ohio

) ss:

COUNTY OF Summit

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said county and state, personally appeared Andrew Yesso, the Vice President of FirstMerit Bank, N.A., an National Banking Association, who acknowledged that he/she being thereunto duly authorized, did sign the foregoing instrument in behalf of said corporation and by authority of its Board of Directors on behalf of the corporation and that the same is the free act and deed of said officer and of said corporation.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Akron, Ohio this 1st day of May, 2005.

Notary Public

Pamela J. Cooksey, Notary

State of Ohio
My Commission Expires: 05/18/09

My Commission Expires:

	EXHIBIT "A"	
G	eneral Mills Op	erations inc.
Six (6) boxcars		
	Deal #R0	0752
1	BAEX	541
2	BAEX	732
3	BAEX	733
4	BAEX	737
5	BAEX	740
6	BAEX	741

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CERTIFICATION

I, Robert W. Alvord, attorney licensed to practice in the State of New York and the District of Columbia, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that I have compared the attached copy with the original thereof and have found the copy to be complete and identical in all respects to the original document.

Dated: 5/31/05

Robert W. Alvord